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INFORMATION DISCLOSURE STATEMENT

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Sir:

In accordance with applicants' duty of disclosure under 37 C.F.R. §1.56, we are enclosing form PTO-1449 listing information that may be material to the patentability of this application, filed August 16, 2000. We are enclosing a copy of each of the following U.S. patent Nos. D338,531, 357,439, 577,199, 921,387, 1,972,895, 2,043,186, 2,060,212, 2,084,099, 2,349,722, 2,365,947, 2,525,745, 2,546,681, 2,774,500, 2,960,088, 2,982,432, 3,113,687, 3,134,495, 3,217,574, 3,511,407, 3,718,140, 3,768,682, 3,883,025, 4,010,861, 4,215,785, 4,311,245, 4,401,224, 4,545,491, 4,685,577, 4,723,668, 4,818,114, 4,865,207, 4,928,836, 4,940,151, 4,993,568, 5,071,017, 5,078,287, 5,101,991, 5,215,312, 5,339,971, 5,431,290, 5,433,353, 5,499,729, 5,544,766, 5,601,199, 5,607,074, 5,791,503, 5,799,808 and 6,053,342. Also enclosed are Foreign application

Nos. WO90/07320, WO/92/21312, WO/98/18427, WO99/11218, Canadian patent No. 2,219,398, French patent No. 1,058,610, Japanese patent No. 10-127734, United Kingdom applications Nos. GB2,238,729A, GB2,318,573A, GB2,190,596A and GB1,432,798.

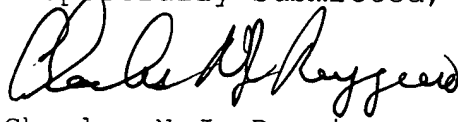
It is applicants' belief that none of the above U.S. and Foreign patents describe that which is claimed in the present invention.

It should be understood that attention has been called to the U.S. and Foreign patents that have been deemed to be pertinent to the claimed present invention. In concluding what was pertinent, the criteria employed was considered most appropriate in light of the invention shown in the present application. However, the Examiner or others may deem some other criteria to be just as appropriate or more appropriate. Therefore, the Examiner is respectfully urged to review the listed U.S. and Foreign patents and to make the usual careful independent search for other prior art that may be pertinent.

Since this Information Disclosure Statement is being filed before the first office action, no petition or fee is required.

Applicants' respectfully request favorable consideration and
that this application be passed to allowance.

Respectfully submitted,

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